



### **Cambridge School Volunteers (CSV)**

CSV has a more than a 46-year history of partnership with the Cambridge Public School Department (CPSD) as the agency that coordinates **all aspects of the school system's volunteer programs**. Last year almost 850 volunteers give about 51,850 hours as one-to-one tutors, classroom assistants, e-mail correspondents and mentors in each of the elementary schools and at CRLS.

### **CSV Programs and Services**

- **Tutoring Center**, Cambridge Rindge & Latin School – Volunteers participate as one-to-one tutors in all subject areas, before, during and after school.
- **College Planning and Essay Writing** – Volunteers help dozens of college-bound seniors with the college application process, including financial aid.
- **Science Olympiad** – Volunteers serve as advisors to students who are competing in the state-wide Science Olympiad competition.
- **Classroom Assistants** – Volunteers provide individual and small group supportive educational services in a variety of elementary and high school settings.
- **Elementary & Upper School After-School Academic Learning Centers** – CSV provides trained volunteers to assist in elementary and middle school after-school academic support programs, offering a quiet, supportive setting in which to do homework, work on study skills, and more.
- **Early Literacy Programs** – Volunteers work with small groups of children in grades K-3 to help improve reading comprehension. Others assist with Writer's Workshop, helping to edit and publish books that students create. Others are paired with youngsters deemed at-risk in literacy, either one-to-one or in small groups for supportive reading sessions.
- **Intergenerational Math Program** – About 30 volunteers are matched one-to-one with second graders for tutoring support to improve both skills and enthusiasm for math.
- **Corporate Volunteer Programs** – Employees from local corporations and public service/government agencies as well as staff and graduate students from two universities provide academic and mentoring support and promote career awareness through one-to-one communication and exposure to real-world settings. Most CSV corporate volunteers are **NetPals/KeyPals**, **Reading Buddies**, or Learning Center tutors.

CSV supports the CPSD in efforts to eliminate the Achievement Gap and to assist all children in reaching their potential. Volunteers receive specialized training and support throughout their placements. Our staff screen, train and are available to the dedicated volunteers who provide academic support, enrichment, tutoring and career mentoring to help Cambridge Public School students.